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      Documents and for Responding to XML Requests"

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In the Specification

Please delete the "Abstract" section on page 34, lines 2-21 and replace it with

the following:

--Methods and systems for generating and sending an XML

document are described. In one embodiment, an XML response generator

responds to a client request without having to first build and save a

hierarchical tree structure in memory that represents the response.--

On page 17, starting at line 10 through page 18, line 2, please replace the

text with the following:

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--<?xml version="1.0" ?>
<a:multistatus xmlns:a="DAV:"
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